(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the number of the persons displaced as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) No, Sir. However, a few houses and shops which were encroachments on Defence land under the management of the Army were removed by the order of Station Commander, Agra on 10th August, 1996 after giving notice for vacation.

(b) No intervention by the Government was required as the action of the Station Commander was within the law.

(c) to (e). As these were encroachments on the Defence land under the management of the Army, all shops and houses (mud houses with thatched roofs) were removed. The total number of persons displaced due to the demolition is approximately 140.

Human Resource Anganwadi Kendras

3441. SHRI LALIT ORAON : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Anganwadi Kendras in Chhota Nagpur area of Bihar and the amount proposed to be spent on these centres during the year 1996-97;

(b) whether the Union Government have received any complaint in regard to the working of these centres and the misutilisation of the allocated funds;

(c) if so, whether the Union Government have conducted any enquiry in this regard; and

(d) if so, the outcome thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) There are 20963 sanctioned Anganwadi Kendras in Chhota Nagpur area of Bihar. An amount of Rs. 20.02 crores is proposed to be released during 1996-97 for running of these Anganwadi Kendras.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). Does not arise.

Research and Technique Centres

3442. SHRI VIRENDRA KUMAR SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Universities and its colleges are considered centres for research and techniques of Higher Education;

(b) whether qualification criterion is fixed by University Grants Commission for posting competent employees there;

(c) if so, whether the enquiry in regard to the posting made in Universities and colleges are conducted from time to time regularly; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Recruitment of Teachers by KVS

3443. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the norms laid down by the Kendriya Vidyalayas Sangathan for the recruitment of teachers in Kendriya Vidyalayas;

(b) whether these norms were not strictly following during the recruitment in 1994 and 1995 particularly in Gauhati region; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c). Recruitment of teachers in Kendriya Vidyalayas is made in accordance with recruitment rules approved by the Board of Governors of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan from time to time.

These are followed in all the regions.

UGC Office in Calcutta

3444. PROF. JITENDRA NATH DAS : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Regional Office of UGC at Calcutta has since become operational; and

(b) if so, the infrastructure of the office and its area of operation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The building for housing the Regional Office has been provided by the Government of West Bengal. One Joint Secretary, who is Head of the Office, one Accounts Officer and one LDC have since been posted. This Office will cover the States of Bihar, Orissa, Sikkim and West Bengal.